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Acting Legislative Counsel

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Assistant Legislative Counsel

SUBJECT: DCI Breakfast Meeting, 25 May 1978

I understand that the following Senators are scheduled to breakfast with the Director on 25 May: John Chafee, Richard Lugar, Malcolm Wallop, John Culver and John Danforth. In terms of legislative matters of concern to the DCI, particularly the intelligence charter legislation, the following information is provided for background purposes:

1. Senators Chafee, Lugar and Wallop are original co-sponsors of S. 2525.

2. Senator Chafee has attended almost every one of the SSCI charter hearings to date.

3. During the SSCI charter hearings which he has attended, Senator Chafee has touched on a wide variety of matters, the more interesting of which include:

--restrictions on intelligence relationships with certain categories of persons should not, as seem to be the case in S. 2525, be based on arbitrary considerations

--wherever possible, restrictions on relationships between intelligence agencies and non-Governmental institutions should be a matter to be resolved by the institutions themselves rather than through statute

--some hesitancy to endorse a listing in the statute of specific restrictions on intelligence activities

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--some disagreement with the specific provisions in the charter bill regarding absolute limitations on certain relationships with journalists

--on more than one occasion, in the context of the Government's ability to keep secrets and to enforce sanctions against the unauthorized disclosure of intelligence information, Senator Chafee has mentioned the breaking of the Japanese code prior to and during World War II as an example of extremely sensitive information that perhaps should be very tightly held within the Government

4. Senators Chafee, Lugar and Wallop had printed in the Congressional Record statements to accompany the introduction of S. 2525 on 9 February 1978; none of the statements really dealt with substantive issues.

5. Senator Culver is Chairman of the Subcommittee on General Legislation of the Armed Services Committee; a Subcommittee which is likely to take jurisdiction eventually over at least portions of the charter legislation.

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GUEST LIST

for

Breakfast/Meeting

Thursday - 25 May 1978

8:00 a.m.

Director's Dining Room

Senator John H. Chafee (R., R.I.)

Senator Richard G. Lugar (R., Ind.)

Senator Malcolm Wallop (R., Wyo.)

Senator John C. Culver (D., Iowa)

Senator John C. Danforth (R., Mo.)

Agency Participants:

Admiral Stansfield Turner

Mr. Frank Carlucci

Mr. John Stein

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